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The following references are believed to be relevant to the subject application:

1. U.S. Pat. 5,988,839 issued November 23, 1999 to Pokorney et al. for REAR FACING LIGHT BAR, discloses a rear facing light, under roof-line light bar comprising a unitary housing, aerodynamically shaped to fit on a particular vehicle.
2. U.S. Pat. 5,663,707 issued on September 2, 1997 to Bartilucci, for SIGNALLING LIGHT VISIBLE THROUGH A REAR VIEW WINDOW OF A VEHICLE, discloses a signalling light visible through a rear view window of a vehicle.
3. U.S. Pat. 5,444,620 issued August 22, 1995 to Yeh for APPARATUS FOR INDICATING DRIVING STATUS OF A VEHICLE, discloses an apparatus including lights for indicating whether the driver of a vehicle is stopping, accelerating, or neither stopping nor accelerating.
4. U.S. Pat 5,186,533 issued February 16, 1993 to Hori for LAMP ARRANGEMENT FOR MOTOR VEHICLE, discloses a lamp arrangement for a motor vehicle which is capable of diffracting an incident light for a light source.

5. U.S. Pat. 5,099,401 issued March 24, 1992 to Kondo et al. for SIGNAL LIGHTING FIXTURE FOR VEHICLES, discloses a light fixture provided internally of a compartment of a vehicle close to the rear window.

6. U.S. Pat. 4,758,931 issued July 19, 1988 to Gabaldon for VEHICLE LIGHT SYSTEM, discloses a rear-end light assembly for motor vehicles which borders the perimeter of the rear window of the vehicle.

7. U.S. Pat. 4,682,146 issued July 21, 1987 to Friedman, III for AUTOMOTIVE INDICATOR SYSTEM, discloses an indicator light system including an indicator tube on the rear window of the vehicle operated to provide braking, parking, and an emergency flasher.

8. U.S. Pat. 4,543,622 issued September 24, 1985 to Menke et al. for LIGHT BAR FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES, discloses a light bar including a siren which can be utilized for a variety of emergency vehicles.

9. U.S. Pat. 4,189,709 issued February 19, 1980 to Gosswiller for MODULAR HOUSING ASSEMBLY FOR VEHICLE WARNING LIGHT SYSTEM, discloses a modular housing assembly for housing a vehicle warning light system.

No attempt has been made to identify every relevant feature in the documents listed. The attached documents may contain relevant information other than that which caused them to be selected and may be of interest with respect to one or more features of the applicant's invention(s).

Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to review the documents identified and to form his or her own conclusions regarding the relevance thereof.

It is believed that the attached documents do not disclose or make obvious applicant's invention(s). Accordingly, examination of the claims on the merits and allowance of the application are earnestly requested.

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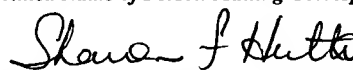
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